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#### CHILDREN IN THE RAIN.

Any one hurrying along under the pitiless rain this morning was glad enough to take to shelter from the raw wind and irritating moisture. If such persons were given a moment's thought to the poor children shivering at the barred school gates during the inclemency of the morning they must feel that it is a hardship for these delicate little boys and girls to be so exposed.

The needlessness of such an infliction on these school children makes the cruelty of so treating them doubly aggravating. It is to be hoped that such days as this may engender salutary views on the subject in the minds of the School Commissioners. They know perfectly well how they would resent being kept out in the wet for five minutes for the doors of their official building to be opened to let them in.

When they meet again and this question receives a definite solution justice and mercy alike should counsel the opening of the gates. This sort of weather is more in order now than a pleasant variety, and every day that the children have to endure this sort of exposure is so much addition to a wrong already too great.

#### CRUDE DIPLOMATS.

Every now and then some painful exhibition of ignorance and a want of tact on the part of our representatives to foreign ports bring home to Americans our shortcomings in the matter of diplomatic training. But it does not seem too much to ask that our Ministers and Consuls should avoid antagonizing the countries to which they are accredited by offensive speech.

One Mr. BLACK, our new Consul at Pesth, has irritated Austria by ill-timed comments on that country. This is Mr. BLACK's second offense in the same direction. He is a clockmaker, but he cannot devise a clock for such conduct as this.

#### REGISTER.

You cannot vote unless you register. To-day and to-morrow are the only days in which you can register. Every citizen should attend to this duty. Register, even if you have a feeling that you will not vote. On Election Day some healthy impulses may lead you to exercise this supreme duty and privilege of the free man, and it would be mortifying to know then that you had tied your own hands.

Register to-day or to-morrow and at least be able to vote if you wish to. Every citizen of this Republic who enjoys the right of franchise should wish to. Register at all events.

#### CLEOPATRA BERNHARDT.

It will be long before the divine SARA need at her down and weep because there are no other worlds to conquer. Her presentation of Antony's enslaver last night in Paris was one of her greatest triumphs. Swathed in sumptuous folds, caught and held by glittering scarabs and antique gems, she moved like a fierce slow fire through the imperious passion of the Egyptian Queen. It was a Cleopatra created by a Frenchman, acted by a French-hearted genius, and Paris is proud and the BERNHARDT satisfied. But art is cosmopolitan. Viva SARA!

Mayor GLASCOCK from his little cell has been improving the hours of his durance vile by keeping a keen eye on the news working on his railroad. He says they do not work well, and they will hear from him again if he breaks forth into liberty again. If those workmen had only known the Mayor's eye was on them!

The British milkmaid has a grievance. The cow which once yielded its flow of snowy milk under the manipulation of the maiden's strong fingers is now milked by machinery! This is a great evil truly. The cows seem to like the machine process and do not show a trace of regret at the buzom milk maid's departure.

For the sixth time ISRAEL LOVE has led a woman to the matrimonial altar. ISRAEL's last lady into the field said by cynics to be profligate in failure was when he had touched the rosy summit of his eightieth year. ISRAEL has been well husbanded. Let us hope that he has been well wived.

Nurse LAWRENCE appeared before Judge TAYLOR yesterday. The justice after hearing the case, decided to take a charge of homicide against LAWRENCE. Professional nurses of LAWRENCE's type should not be encouraged.

Gov. HILL is not on the trail of McKinty in Ohio. The Republicans are not going to "take the duck" in that State if DAVID B. can help it. The Sorcerer is no weakling in political jousting.

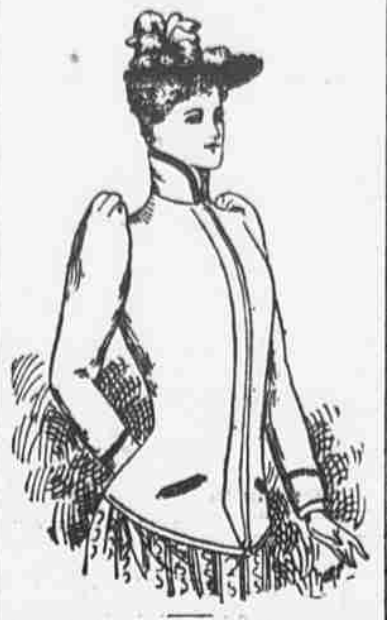
Distinguished persons seem to be victims of accidents of late. Senator BLACKBURN, Lord DUNLOP and several others have suffered by falls. Can there be anything epidemic in accidents?

## THE WAYS OF WOMAN FAIR.

Fads, Fancies and Fashions that Interest the Gentler Sex.

Shadowy Browns Among the Favorites—Autumn Colors—Patti Gives a Souvenir Pin—The Fad for Feather Neck Trimmings—Pink Velvet Bonnet Strings.

The colors for the Autumn include a number of shadowy browns, which will be useful, notably the richly soft tan shade called Hindoo. This is combined with pale Egyptian greens, like verdigris; cocoa, walnut, camel and amber shades describe themselves. The reds are delightful. Mourish red, Indian red, Bonaventure, the clear carnation scarlet and a rich cherry red, long in disease. Turquoise blue is the trimming color for bows and offsets to dress, much seen with black, especially in made trimmings.



Shawls of every sort are made into dresses for exclusive wear by private modistes.

Mme. Adeline Patti has presented Mr. Durward Lely with a sapphire and diamond solitaire pin as a souvenir of her recent charitable concert at Neath, at which Mr. Lely volunteered his services. How little Hattie Patti in smoky Chicago will elan her hands when she reads this evidence of her dear Adeline's generosity.

The fad for ostrich feather neck trimmings is certainly a becoming one to all but moon-faced women; small faces, small heads nestle down into the midst of the duffy feathers which encircle the neck with the cunningest air. They impart a decidedly coquettish smile to even the most demure countenance; but the women to whom they are a godsend are those with sharp chins.

Pink velvet strings are said to be a very becoming feature of dress bonnets. They always accompany hats which are ornamented with pink roses or other flowers. Great clusters of soft pinks are worn on white bonnets.

Fran Emile Fergare-Carlen, the famous Spanish author, has just undergone a successful operation, which has to a great extent restored her eyesight, which had been almost entirely lost. The result is so much the more a matter of congratulation, as Fran Fergare-Carlen recently completed her eighty-third year.

Mme. Albani has sent a donation of \$100 for the fund of the Clergy Widows' and Orphans' Society, in aid of which the proceeds of the Musical Festival at Worcester are devoted.

The Connemara Basket Industry was begun Sept. 1, 1888. About 5,000 baskets have been made by boys and girls and sent to England, Scotland, Sweden, Switzerland and America. This industry was located at Letterfrack, a small village or district on the extreme west coast of Ireland and thirty miles from the nearest railway station, by Miss Sophie Surace. Emigration here has amounted almost to a scourge, sweeping away the youth, strength and talent of the country, and leaving the old, the feeble, the imbecile and the incapable. In some cases the grandparents and young children are found living alone, while the parents earn in America the means of keeping those left behind. American money has stood between Ireland and starvation, and emigration has benefited the individual, but the loss to the country of its young life blood cannot be estimated. The object of the basket industry is not so much to employ large numbers as to train skilled workers by picking out the clever children who hitherto have had no chance of rising in their own country. This annual experiment shows that decided handicraft ability is latent among them. Time, discipline and training are required for the development of this skill. The progress already effected in basket making can be judged by the work now exhibited. Industrial experiments in various parts of Ireland clearly prove that there is no difficulty in finding markets in other countries.

#### SPOTLETS.

There may be plenty of nice men in Congress, but an ice-man has been dropped from the roll-call.

The talking doll does not beat the devil's tattoo when it gets the dot-drum.

The cloven hoof is the sign of the devil, and the cloven breath the atmosphere of departed spirits.

Good average men are what is wanted for the Census Bureau.

It is the girl who is good financially, has lots of beauty—who with ribbon drag around the city's streets a day would.

"You may take your pick, although there is not much choice," she said, passing the jar of toothpicks.

A squab in a bottle is not more surprising than a good idea in some people's heads.

Little Bonaparte is said to have taken to liquor. We knew he would lick her before he got through.

Johnnie Hope is a boy that they leave behind when they sing him.

Some of the individuals represented in the press as "cured" do not seem to have been cured. It is by looking they so fast when they will wait them.

## TWO CONTESTS WON.

Prizes Awarded for the Best Umbrella and Sea Stories.

Two Writers Who Win Gold Double Eagles.

"Virginia" and "Ned Sauer" Are the Fortunate Competitors.

The conditions published when "The Umbrella Story Contest" was begun in The Evening World stated that a prize of a golden double eagle was offered "for the most interesting story in which an umbrella figure as a prime mover."

The contest ran for several weeks, and a large number of letters, of varying merit, was received. The limit of two hundred words barred many otherwise excellent letters from the competition.

After careful consideration, the prize is awarded to the following, which is so replete of the finest qualities of human nature, a testimonial of enduring love which clings faithfully to its symbol, and is so pathetic and absorbing in its appeal for tender human sympathy.

#### TRUE EYES TO DEATH.

"Take my umbrella, George," the little boy to whom the request was addressed by his widowed mother, one summer's day at Petersburg, accompanied by his younger sister, was in the act of departing on a visit to his mother's father.

"They would laugh at that old-fashioned kingdom, mother," responded little Julie. "And with my leaving," said George, with a proud flash of his Irish-gray eyes. At Elliott City Julie was suddenly seized with a nervous illness. George, mainly without being manish, rushed up the river and for a physician. He heard not the ominous rumble of the rising Jameson—heeded not the unusual spectacle of families weeping to the life of the young man who, suffering sister, his mother in distant Virginia, and sped bravely forward through the driving rain.

He never came back. After the subsidence of the memorable flood the nude body of a boy was found in Stomper's line, near the mill-race. The features had been destroyed by the attrition of the public stream; but a faded old umbrella, clasped lovingly to his heart, revealed his identity. "Was little George Stoddard," Virginia.

Many very many other letters were classed as meritorious, but there are no second or third prizes. Notable among these are the contributions of "L. J. P.," "Mic Mac," "Samuel Louis Schwartz," "Mrs. Kay," "Phoebe H. Quick," "My Maryland," "A. W. R.," "Nemesis Ture," William Nibb, "E. R.," "E. F.," "E. B. R.," "J. D. Marcus," "Emma McDonald," "Wehyan," "Mascot," "Agnes P. Moroney," "Met," and half a thousand others.

Will "Virginia," the prize-winner, please forward at once to the editor of The Evening World his or her name and address, accompanied as is the imperative rule of this office in all contests, with an affidavit attesting the claim to authorship, duly sworn and certified to by a notary public?

To the many contributors in the umbrella story contest THE EVENING WORLD extends its thanks.

#### THE PRIZE SEA STORY.

Award of the Double Eagle in "The Evening World's" Contest.

In deciding upon the merits of the "yarns" submitted in THE EVENING WORLD Sea Story Contest, the aim has been to select the one containing the best epitome of life at sea, illustrating most vividly the perils of those who "go down to the sea in ships."

Many very excellent sea stories were found to be barred from competition for the prize by reason of exceeding the prescribed limit of 250 words. Others were too evidently plagiarisms or recopies of incidents noted in volumes of history or travel. In all a vivid panorama of life on the ocean was presented, and the readers of THE EVENING WORLD have been greatly entertained thereby.

The prize is awarded to the following, as containing the elements of the best sea story, within the prescribed limit, graphically told, and pathetic and thrilling in its details.

PROVIDENCE INTERPOSED TO SAVE THEM. A flat calm had held us in the horse latitudes for two days—not so much as a breath to move the drooping sails and cool the parched and cracking decks. Discipline had grown lax. The men slept on watch when their duty offered. The night of the calm I lay on deck, unable to sleep. The moon was shining as though it had sailed all its way into the sea.

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Other stories deserving honorable mention are those by "Shimput," "Peter Christ," "J. Lazar, Jr.," "A. Holbrook," "J. V. K.," "Yorkshire Salt," "Charles M. Weidemann," "Frank (L.)," "C.," "Willie S. Usang," "C. O.," "Veritas," "R. S.," "John C. Muller," "Doctor," "Soldier," "H. Macdonald," and many others.

Will "Ned Sauer" please send his name and address to the editor of THE EVENING WORLD, accompanied by an affidavit sworn to by a Notary Public as is required in all contests, certifying that he is the author of the prize story, and that he has not appropriated the incident from any publication?

#### WORLDLINGS.

One of the wealthiest real-estate men in Texas is Milton Stewart, of Houston, a negro. He owns several large plantations, a handsome residence and is worth \$400,000. In the days before the war he was a water on a river boat.

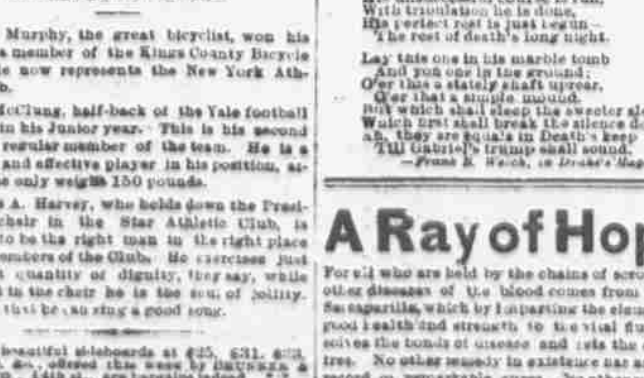
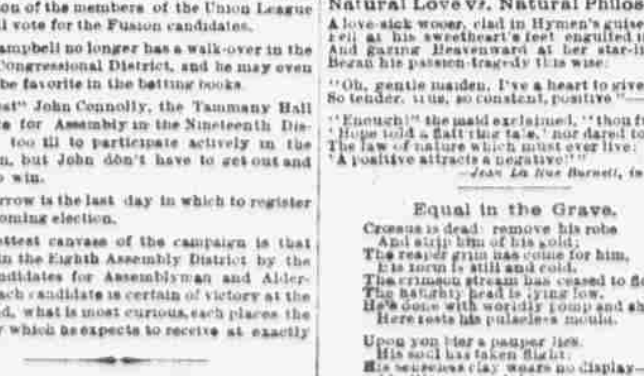
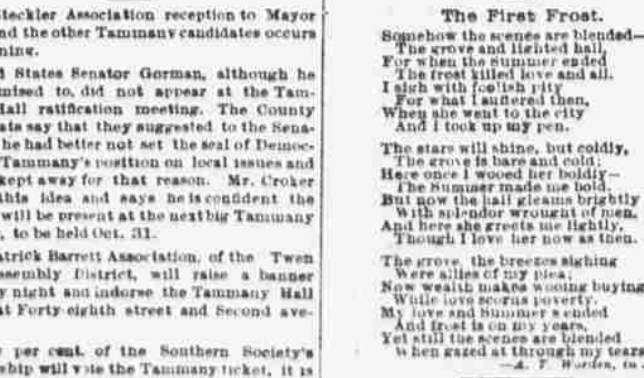
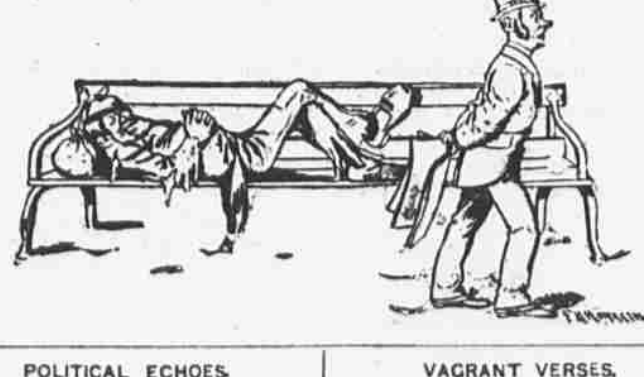
The Casarowitz, the oldest son of the Casar, was about ready to start upon his American tour. He is a handsome young man of twenty-three. He has a tall figure, powerful physique, blue eyes and auburn hair. He is said to show considerable talent for the military profession.

The largest man in Indiana, and perhaps in the entire country, is John H. Gray of Danville. He stands 6 feet 5 inches in his stockings and weighs more than 330 pounds.

Pensions are paid by the Government to the widows of three Presidents, eighteen Generals, one Colonel and two first Lieutenants. Field Marshal von Moltke lives in a plain, square house of two stories, never acknowledged in public. The entrance is guarded by two great grays from Mount Vezuvius that were presented to the Count by the late King of Naples.

Elegant Chairs and Fancy Tables in great variety at Geo. C. FERRY Co.'s, 14th St. and 5th Ave.

## THE REWARD OF ENTERPRISE.



THESE FINEST SELECTIONS AT \$25, \$31, \$33, \$35, \$37, \$39, \$41, \$43, \$45, \$47, \$49, \$51, \$53, \$55, \$57, \$59, \$61, \$63, \$65, \$67, \$69, \$71, \$73, \$75, \$77, \$79, \$81, \$83, \$85, \$87, \$89, \$91, \$93, \$95, \$97, \$99, \$101, \$103, \$105, \$107, \$109, \$111, \$113, \$115, \$117, \$119, \$121, \$123, \$125, \$127, \$129, \$131, \$133, \$135, \$137, \$139, \$141, \$143, \$145, \$147, \$149, \$151, \$153, \$155, \$157, \$159, \$161, \$163, \$165, \$167, \$169, \$171, \$173, \$175, \$177, \$179, \$181, \$183, \$185, \$187, \$189, \$191, \$193, \$195, \$197, \$199, \$201, \$203, \$205, \$207, \$209, \$211, \$213, \$215, \$217, \$219, \$221, \$223, \$225, \$227, \$229, \$231, \$233, \$235, \$237, \$239, \$241, \$243, \$245, \$247, \$249, \$251, \$253, \$255, \$257, \$259, \$261, \$263, \$265, \$267, \$269, \$271, \$273, \$275, \$277, \$279, \$281, \$283, \$285, \$287, \$289, \$291, \$293, \$295, \$297, \$299, \$301, \$303, \$305, \$307, \$309, \$311, \$313, \$315, 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